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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer who strongly supports broadband competition.

Over the past 30 years my options in San Francisco have continued to dwindle while the prices have continued to rise. As a result I am very much in support of the expansion of local carriers. However, the threat to their ability to expand based on the recent petition to the FCC to take away access to critical unbundled network elements is one more attempt to quash this growth.

As I'm sure you are aware, no business, including my own can operate without broadband services. Please do not limit the ability of smaller independent carriers to provide this service.

Thank your for your thoughtful consideration.

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